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PARIS CONFERENCE.

FRENCH COLONIES.

LONDON, Feb. 4.

On January 26 the French Government promised that the interests of its colonies would be represented at the Paris Conference similarly to the British.

CHINA AND THE LEAGUE.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

When the League of Nations was being debated this afternoon, a most picturesque touch was afforded by the delegate from China, Mr. Lou Tseng Hsiang, formerly Minister for Foreign Affairs in China. In giving support to the principle of the League in a few words of perfect French, he declared that China wished to help the nations of the western world in abolishing war. (Havas).

MIGHT STILL RIGHT.

M. Clemenceau emphasised the right of the great Powers to make decisions as to procedure and policy before submitting them to the minor Powers. "We cannot," he said, "accept the suggestion that any committee should have the right to dictate to the five great Powers. (Havas).

PRESIDENT WILSON.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

President Wilson will visit Rheims to-day, inspecting the devastated districts, and returning to-night to Paris. (Havas).

A RUSSIAN OPINION.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

M. Tchaykovsky, the President of the Northern Russian Government, while proceeding to Paris, was interviewed in London. He said the League of Nations cannot be realised without Russia. "The Allies must find an organic solution of the Russian problem. Measures like the Brest-Litovsk proposal were useless. The Bolsheviks must be obliged to abdicate. If they don't the League of Nations must organise a force to enforce its decrees."

ABOLISH SUBMARINES.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The "Daily Mail" Paris correspondent says the Anglo-American delegates will recommend the Conference to abolish submarines.

GREEK DEMANDS.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The Greek demands will be considered at the Paris Conference to-morrow. They are likely to arouse prolonged discussion, as they include important territorial claims, the whole vilayet of Aidin, and other concessions, giving Greece control of the whole coast of Asia Minor from Arvali to the southern limit of the vilayet of Aidin. Greece likewise claims Dodecanesos, Imbros, Tenedos, Cyprus, and the whole of Bulgarian and Turkish Thrace to the Black Sea. This new frontier would roughly correspond with the Chatalja line separating greater Greece from the new international state of which Constantinople is to be the capital.

U.S. ADVICE TO FRENCH COMMERCE.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

Mr. Edward Hurley, Chairman of the United States Shipping Board, spoke yesterday at a Franco-American dinner. He said France must be prepared to meet German commercial competition, and hoped France would not wait too long, allowing the others to produce wares while the United States and other peoples are anxiously waiting to place orders for French products. The trade mark "made in France" should be borne by French products. (Havas).

LABOUR SETTING.

PARIS MEN RESUME.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

The Employees of the Paris underground railways, tramways, and motor omnibus companies decided to resume work this morning, as a result of placing their services at the disposal of the military authorities. (Havas).

CHINESE EGG UNDER SUSPICION.

LONDON, Feb. 4.

The Chief Food Inspector points out that the use of poisoned liquid eggs from China is open to very serious objection from the view point of the health of the consumer. He suggests that the eggs might be shipped in a dried state.

LABOUR SITUATION.

A SUMMARY.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

While the industrial situation is still threatening, it is regarded as by no means desperate. The partial success of the efforts to spread the Clyde strike throughout the country appears mainly due to coercion, not persuasion. The decision of the motormen at the last moment came as a surprise in view of the conciliatory attitude of the other grades.

All the "tubes" are expected to be up held on Monday, but the motormen of the District lines refused to join the strike.

The Railway Clerks' Association at a meeting in Birmingham decided to refer to the Cabinet Sir Albert Stanley's refusal to recognise the Association as representing the station-masters. The leaders meet the Cabinet to-day.

London doctors at a meeting on Sunday decided to form a body representative of the whole profession to watch medical interests. A resolution in favour of a registered trade union was rejected by two votes amid uproar.

CLYDE WORKERS DIVIDED.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

To-day a crowded meeting of Clydeside workers opposed to the present strike was held in the Govan district. They passed resolutions condemning wholeheartedly the undemocratic and unconstitutional methods used to force them to participate in the strike, pledging support to the representatives of the Trades Unions, and promising to use their influence to maintain law and order.

A big demonstration is being held in Glasgow on February 4 to form a Patriotic Workers' League on the Clydeside, with a view to taking the control of the Trades Unions out of the hands of the extremists.

FOR HALF AN HOUR.

The London "Tube" motormen, despite the decision of other grades to remain at work pending negotiations, have decided to strike on Monday morning as a protest against the refusal to include the half-hour mealtime in the eight-hour day.

AWFUL STATE OF PETROGRAD.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

A Helsingfors message yesterday says that fugitives from Petrograd report that revolt has broken out among the soldiers of the old Russian army. In Petrograd machine-guns fighting occurred. The artillery at Kronstadt bombarded Petrograd. There were many corpses in the streets.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Berne on Feb. 2 reports that practically all the delegates to the International Labour Conference have arrived. It was decided at a meeting at the Volkshaus tonight to establish three commissions to draft reports upon the League of Nations, territorial questions, and international labour charter commissions. It is expected these will report next week.

It is stated that the Trades Unions which have been sitting at Paris are coming to Berne for a separate conference and with a view to securing unity between Union men and the conference. A joint session will be held.

ESTHONIAN SUCCESS.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

Stockholm reports an Estonian communiqué which says: "Our troops have captured the town of Walk and advanced southwards."

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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THE PROLETARIAT.

LABOUR AND AUTHORITY.

LONDON, February 2nd. Councillor Shawwell, who is the Chairman of the Strike Committee, Gallagher, and Kirkwood have been remanded in Glasgow. The charges against them are of unlawful combination and riotous conduct. The Magistrate refused bail. A meeting of the Scottish Trade Union Congress demanded the release of the prisoners and pledged themselves to continue the strike.

The city was quiet last evening. The crowds were watched by military guards, especially those assembled at the Town Hall, which was surrounded with barbed wire, and where a wireless apparatus also has been installed.

Most of the troops are Highlanders. The situation in Belfast is unchanged. The city is quiet, though dark. The streets last evening were crowded.

LONDON, February 2nd. The Miners of Lanarkshire decided to resume on Monday.

LONDON, February 2nd. Glasgow is quiet to-day. Three more arrests have been made in connection with the riots, including the well-known English Socialist, George Ebbery. It is unofficially stated that there are 10,000 soldiers in Glasgow.

The Chief Constable states that measures have been taken to ensure the safety of those resuming work to-morrow.

LONDON, February 2nd. A communiqué from Paris states: "The International Labour Legislation Commission held its first sitting on February 1st, and unanimously elected Mr. G. apers, Chairman."

PARIS CONFERENCE.

ITALY'S CLAIMS.

PARIS, February 2nd. The Italian Delegation, in view of prospective changes in Africa, asked for a rectification of the frontiers in Tripoli, in order to include in the Italian sphere of influence the regions assigned to France and Great Britain by the Anglo-French treaty concluded when Tripoli belonged to Turkey.

STUBBORN "BILLY."

PARIS, February 2nd. Interviewed by a representative of Le Matin, Mr. Hughes declared that he refused to subscribe to the provisional arrangement made by the Peace Conference respecting the German Colonies in the Pacific. The Peace Conference was the sole League of Nations at present, and it should draw up a mandate for the jurisdiction of these territories, and issue it immediately.

The problem of New Guinea was a matter of life and death for the Australians.

SECRET TREATIES.

PARIS, February 2nd. Reuter learns from a Serbian source in Paris that the Supreme Council of the Powers has decided to abandon the secret treaty with Rumania promising her the Banat of Temesvar, which must be assigned to Serbia.

The Serbian Delegates hope that the declaration of the invalidity of this treaty will result in the declaration of the invalidity of the secret treaty giving Italy important parts of Dalmatia.

CZECHS AND POLES.

PARIS, February 2nd. The provisional agreement between the Czechs and the Poles provides that the Czechoslovaks must not pass beyond a certain zone, or take further steps as regards military preparations. They must hand in all Polish prisoners, and supply Poland with coal conditionally.

ROMANIAN CLAIMS.

PARIS, February 2nd. M. Bratiano added that Rumania claims, besides Banat, the Bukovina, Bessarabia, the Dobruja and Transylvania.

He urged that, pending the decision of the Peace Conference, the Allied troops should occupy Banat and Transylvania, in order to prevent the advance of Bolshevism.

The Committee of the Peace Conference decided to appoint a commission of experts, comprising two representatives of each Great Power, to meet in Paris, and discuss the Rumanian problem.

POLAND.

PARIS, February 2nd. With regard to Poland, the frontiers have not yet been fixed, but all the Delegates have agreed to give Poland access to the sea. The most natural port is Danzig.

THE PRINKIPO CONFERENCE.

PARIS, February 2nd. M. Pichon informed a number of journalists that only one acceptance of the Allies' invitation to the Prinkipo Conference had been received, namely, from the Head of the Crimean Government, but the proposal had not wholly failed.

The Allies had not yet considered what steps they would take, if the suggestion failed.

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Hongkong, January 27, 1919.

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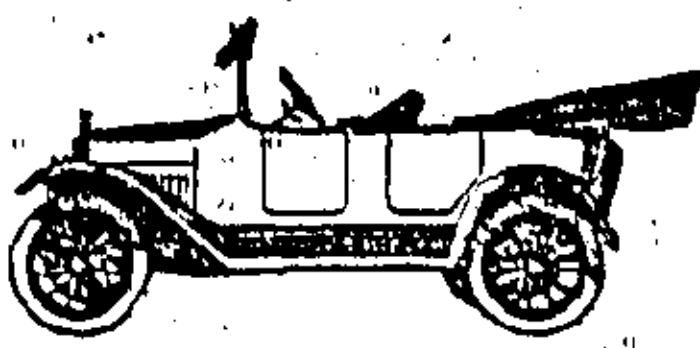
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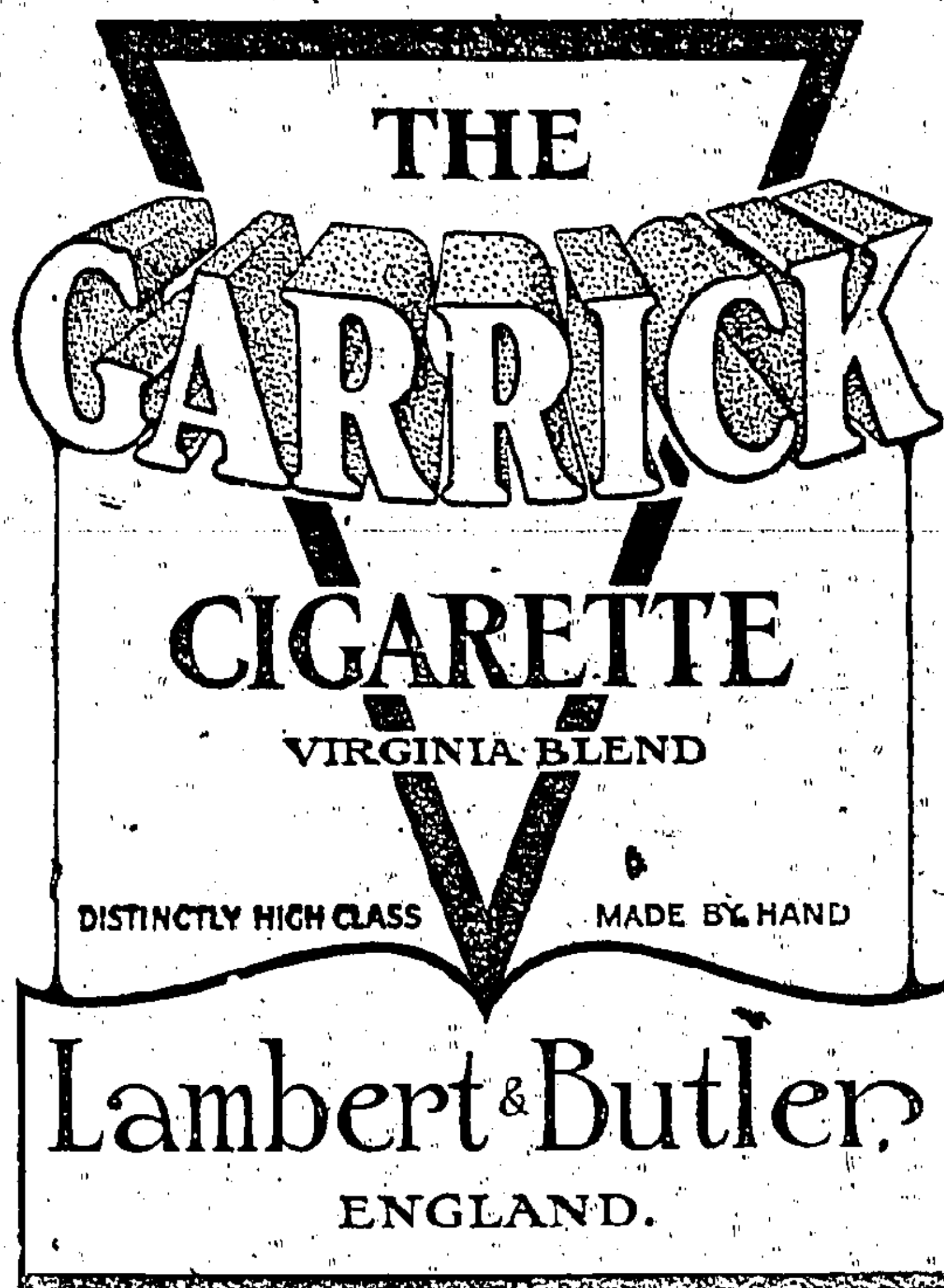
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THE LATEST FOOLISHNESS.

Early this year a Norwegian Physician communicated to the Medical Society of Christiania a long series of observations on the relation of asthma to horses. An asthmatic himself, he had found that his own attacks and those of 11 out of 81 asthmatic patients examined were traceable to the presence of horses or their products. An injection of horse serum (diphtheria antitoxin) nearly killed him, and he could not attend a circus or enter a stable without great discomfort. The origin of an attack of asthma at dinner-time was obscure till analysis of the sauces of which he had eaten revealed the ubiquitous horse. It has long been known that idiosyncrasy to such widely different factors as cats, goats, certain foods, smells, and atmospheric or topographical conditions may precipitate attacks of asthma. But it is both new and instructive to find that in as high a proportion as 11 to 81 the symptoms can be traced to one and the same cause. Unfortunately, in most cases the discovery of the cause will not lead to its removal, for the patient will find it almost a duty to avoid the horse and things connected with him. Even if he could do so, he would find it almost a duty to avoid the horse and things connected with him. Even if he could do so, he would find it almost a duty to avoid the horse and things connected with him.

PRAYER BOOK REVISION.

"Nine English Diocesan Bishops—the Bishops of Durham, Bath and Wells, Chester, Liverpool, Manchester, Carlisle, Llandaff, Sodor and Man, and Chelmsford—have issued a statement on the subject of the changes in the Communion Service proposed as a result of the discussions in Convocation on Prayer Book revision. The objections which the Bishops urge against the proposed revision are, first, that it provides two alternative services for Holy Communion, thus opening the way to strife in every parish in England; and, secondly, that the new alternative provided takes a long step in the direction of assimilating the English Communion Service to the Mass as celebrated in the Roman Church. A memorial based on this statement is being circulated, and the Bishop of Manchester has already received a large number of signatures from clergy and laity of the Church of England.

"HAYAS."

One hears at times of people persecuted for their opinions philosophically consoling themselves with the reflection that this is often the most effective means of propaganda—on the principle that "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." The reports of Bolshevik doings in Berlin declare that the Bolsheviks have made this a regular plan of campaign and are determined to provoke disorder so as to get suppressed by Allied troops, whom they will straightway proceed to convert, or "infect," to use the common word. According to "Le Journal," Maxim Gorky opposes Allied intervention on the ground that the Bolshevik policy of wholesale destruction is a necessary prelude to reconstruction, while it is added that he particularly denounces President Wilson. These messages labour under the disadvantage that they are all second hand and all propagandist. Gorky is, as a matter of fact, a strong opponent of the Bolsheviks, a fact which is probably unknown to the brilliant intelligence which is responsible for the Hayas telegrams. Judging from the various reports as a whole, however, the Bolsheviks could be justly charged with being pacifist only when they think their position hopeless and quite ready to use armed force when they see a good chance of "getting" anything thereby. This is only human nature, perhaps, but it is not a convincing exposition of principles that profess to be potent for renewing the world.

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February 6, 1919, at 11 a.m.
At China Provident Loan and
Mortgage Co. Ltd.,
No. 20 Prince Street

222 Bundles Steel angles,
112 Bundles Square iron bars,
893 Bundles Round iron bars.
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Jan. 29, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

ON
FRIDAY,

February 7, 1919, at 12.30 Noon, at
their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux
Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

One 6 cylinder two seater
"Oakland" Car (new)
One 4 cylinder five seater
"Dodge" Car (new)

One 4 cylinder four seater
"Ford" Car
guaranteed in good running order.

Further particulars and inspecting
orders may be had from the undersigned.
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Jan. 24, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

ON
FRIDAY,

February 7, 1919, at 12.30 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,

One 4 cylinder two seater "Trumbull"
Car,
14 H.P. Water Cooled Engine,
Electric light.

In good running order.
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, January 30, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

ON
FRIDAY,

February 7, 1919, at 2.30 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des
Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
Electrical Fittings and
Accessories,

Comprising:—
A quantity of Telephone and Lead
covered V.I.R. Wire, a large assort-
ment of Lamps, Wattmeters, Amper-
meters, Fuses, Knife Switches, Tumbler
and Snap Switches, Ships' Light Fit-
tings, Ceiling Roses, Fans, Globes,
Insulators, Lamp Holders, Exhaust
Fan, &c., &c.

And
1,000 Watt "Lalloy" Lighting Plant,
Also
A quantity of No. 6 Cotton Waste,
Photo Paper, &c., &c.,
On view day of sale.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Jan. 27, 1919.

(For Account of the Concerned),

ON
TUESDAY,

February 11, 1919, commencing at
2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,

A QUANTITY OF
USEFUL HOUSEHOLD LINENS,
DRAWN WORK, & EMBROIDERIES,

Comprising:—
HOUSEHOLD LINENS.—Single and
Double Plain and Embroidered Sheets,
Fellow Cases, Double White Satin Quilts,
Linen Damask Serviettes, Glass Cloths,
Bath Towels, Face Towels, &c., &c.

DRAWN WORK.—Bedspreads, Pillow
Cases, Tray Cloths, &c., &c.

EMBROIDERIES.—Bedspreads, Table
Covers, Tea Cloths, Runners 18 by 54 in.

Also
A few lots of Attache Cases and
Fellow Valises.

(All new and small lots to suit
purchasers).
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(For Account of the Concerned),

ON
TUESDAY,

February 11, 1919, commencing
at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD
FURNITURE, BRASS AND BRASS-
MOUNTED DOVELE AND TWIN
BEDSTRADES, CURTAINS, CARPETS,

&c., &c.,
As follows:—

Two Chesterfield Sofas and Arm-chairs
(new), Folding Card and Occasional
Tables, One Upholstered Suite, Bedroom
Furniture, comprising Twin Bedsteads,
large and small Wardrobes, Dressing
Tables, Washstands, &c., (fumed Teak-
wood), Slideboards, Dinner Waggon,
Extension Dining Table and Chairs, &c.,
Dinner Services, Crockery, and good Glass
Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, &c.,
Bath Room Utensils, Electro-Plated
Ware.

Also
One Brass Cot, Treadle Sewing
Machine (nearly new), by Willcox &
Gibbs with all accessories.
Piano in good condition, Large
Esamelled Bath, and one Rubber
Tyred Ricksha.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1919.

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deserve worse than his comment that "such cheerfulness is sadly attenuated by the absence of good meaty truth." But in his hatred of false cheerfulness, and of his concern for "life and truth and art," our Outlook writer had no earthly right to ignore such books as "Tristram Shandy," "The Essays of Elia," "Don Quixote," or the robust common sense of Master Rabelais. Worry may be a "fundamental intellectual asset"—we so regard it—but that is worry about worry, not worry about immaterialities. We perceive that this clever writer does not quite understand what literary pessimism is. To take modern examples, Gilbert Cannan and Arnold Bennett are really pessimists, yet they write cheerful books. They are as truly pessimistic as Thomas Hardy and Eden Phillpotts, who are less cheerful. It is not clever, we are obliged to say, to call it silly, to talk of the moral and intellectual advantage of "feeling and fret." Fuss and worry lead to achievement, but so does every emotional activity of man. So does even that cheerfulness which this writer chooses to call pusillanimity. Robert Burns never said that the fear of hell was a good device to make men behave right. He said it was a hangman's whip to hold the wretch in order. We refuse to believe that any modern man thinks it desirable to maintain a hangman's whip, or to remain a wretch. This writer's defence of such a thing and baseless cause of worry was not due to an internal blankness, as he would say. It was the unhappy result of his worrying anxiety to write clearly.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Tokyo is making plans for a 20-mile elevated railway to encircle the city.

Kote is being Westernized in spite of itself; an eleven-storey building is to be erected on Akashi-machi.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending January 18, amounted 72,554 tons and the sales during the period, to 51,393 tons.

January 27, saw the end of the Shanghai opium burning, and by night a total of 1,205 chests valued in the illicit market at \$25,000,000 had gone up in a smoke.

Mr. T. J. Harrington, British Consul at Tamsui, Formosa, has been appointed Vice-Consul at Seoul. Mr. C. B. Paton is appointed British Vice-Consul in Kobe.

The Management of the Hong-kong Theatre regret the disappointment of their matinee patrons yesterday, owing to the accidental breakdown of their cinema machine. A new machine was procured and installed in time for 7.15 performance and is giving every satisfaction.

A Chinese house boy was this morning fined \$25 with an option of three weeks' imprisonment for stealing a gold finger-ring from his master, Mr. Ellis Beaumont of 13 B. Macdonald Road. He took the ring to a pawnshop and was arrested by a plain clothes constable.

Representatives of shipping and commercial interests from all Scandinavia have been meeting in Copenhagen to form an association for the general protection of their rights after the war, and apparently for making claims as a unit for various damages sustained by belligerent operations which were at variance with international law during the war.

Henrique d'Aguiar José Portaria and Chan Kam who had been convicted and sentenced to three months' hard labour on a charge of demanding money with threats from a Chinese woman living in 8, Sai Street were again before Mr. R. E. Lindell on another charge of stealing \$290 from the same house on the 15th. The hearing was adjourned until the 13th instant.

In view of the large numbers of Chinese labourers returning from Europe, the Peking Government has formulated the following plans for their disposal, according to nothern papers, namely, (1) To develop the various industrial enterprises that have not yet been taken up with capital to be subscribed by these labourers; (2) To give encouragement to those who have already returned; (3) To allow the returned labourers to take up some of the constructional works; and (4) To give proper protection to those who still remain abroad.

Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son have favoured us with a copy of their quarterly edition of the "Far Eastern Travellers' Gazette," which contains a fund of information of benefit to travellers and tourists. The magazine section of this number includes several interesting notes and articles, and the statistical and advertising portion contains general information of considerable interest.

rates for steamers connecting foreign countries with the Orient, particulars with regard to hotels in Japan and the Far East, etc.

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The thirtieth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., was held in the company's offices in the Victoria Buildings this morning. Present were Messrs. J. Rodger, T. E. Pearce, J. H. Seth, M. S. Northcote, R. Tatam, W. S. Wilkinson and A. Shelton Hooper. Mr. T. E. Pearce presided. The Chairman said.

Gentlemen,—As the report and statement of accounts have been in your hands for some days I propose to take them as read. The net profits for the year under review including \$1,908.56 brought forward from the last account amount to \$17,500.82 as against \$17,458.56 for the previous year. The rent account has increased from \$21,302.20 to \$22,225.50 but against this slight increase we have had to expend about \$1,000 more for repairs. The whole of the property is now let and has been kept in good repair. The amount expended in repairs varies much and depends whether superficial repairs such as painting and colour washing take away a good part of the profit. A suggestion has been made that the Company would reap a greater benefit, but as that course could not be adopted whilst the present leases are running, your Directors will consider the matter and if found feasible will lay same before you for approval or otherwise. Last year we paid a dividend of \$2.50 per share but as you see by the accounts we now propose to pay a Dividend of \$2.85 per share, and carry forward \$400.80 to new profit and loss account which I am sure you will deem satisfactory.

Mr. Pearce then proposed the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Seth, and unanimously approved. Mr. Seth then proposed the re-election of Messrs. Rodger and Pearce as directors, this being seconded by Mr. Northcote, and approved by an unanimous vote. Mr. Percy Smith was re-elected as auditor.

Terminating the meeting Mr. Pearce thanked the shareholders for their attendance, and announced that dividend warrants would be ready for distribution to-morrow.

A SNAKE FIGHT.

land, sent to me "Brisbane Daily Mail" the following account of a fight between snakes in a bush orchard:—While on a visit to Montville recently I had the unique experience of witnessing a fight between two black snakes. They lay on a piece of ploughed ground, coiled round, each other like the strands of a rope, but separated at head and tail by about six inches. The tails were lashing each other. Occasionally they spread like an inverted V, and the bodies became raised nearly perpendicularly from the ground, while the heads made thrusts and counter-thrusts at each other, but with no apparent success. While my friend was away getting a hoe, the snakes became separated by a couple of yards. Then, to my astonishment, like two streaks of lightning, they became locked again in an embrace more vigorous, if possible, than before. They began to work away from me then, and when the orchardist returned six or seven minutes later, he got them both with one stroke of the hoe, and they lay together, apparently gasping for breath. It was a great fight, and I longed for a camera to record it. I have been living in the country for 25 years, and have had snakes under my bunk when camping out, but I never saw a snake fight before. These particular reptiles, after being killed, measured nearly 5 ft. each.

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COLLISION IN HARBOUR.

SIX MISSING, INCLUDING AN AMERICAN SAILOR.

A collision which was attended with fatal results, took place between a Chinese passenger boat and a Sanitary launch at 7.30 a.m. on Sunday morning.

Three Americans were passengers in the boat which was hired at the Bank wharf to carry them to the motorship "Sierra." When well across the harbour they were met by a Sanitary launch and before a collision could be avoided, the boat was run into and capsized, the passengers and crew being all thrown into the water. Three of the crew were rescued, and also two of the Americans. The third, named Otto Foutul, 35 years of age, who was second Officer of the "Sierra" was not found in spite of all endeavours. He is believed to have been drowned, as well as four men of the crew. Another member of the crew, a woman, was drowned. Her body has since been recovered.

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THE KO SHING POULTRY MARKET.

QUESTION OF LOCATION.

A discussion in connection with the Ko Shing Poultry Market took place in Mr. R. E. Lindell's Court this morning when the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.S.P., again brought the matter of obstruction in the street before his Worship. Seven summonses in connection with the obstruction in Ko Shing Street had been brought against the four poultry dealers, and when the matter was brought before Mr. C. D. Melbourne last month, a suspension of the summons for 14 days was granted to the dealers. Representations by the Sanitary Board had led Government to offer the dealers a site opposite the Sailors' Home in West Point. The dealers were required during this period to remove their stocks to this site, but they considered the place inadequate, and flooded Mr. E. R. Hallifax, the S.C.A., with representations to this effect. Mr. Hallifax is taking the whole matter into consideration and for this purpose he wished the summons adjourned. The question was whether the site was adequate or whether a larger piece of land should be offered. There had been proposals from various official quarters. The C. S. P. said that when he was in charge of the Sanitary Board he offered a piece of ground in Kennedy Town. This place was considered by the dealers to be too far away to be convenient, but he suggested they could get over this difficulty by instituting quick means of conveyance. The immediate question with which the Police were concerned was the blocking of Ko Shing and Li Shing Streets. This was getting intolerable, and the C.S.P. said that before he consented to a further adjournment, these streets must be cleared of all obstruction. It would seem to be the custom in Hongkong for such offenders to wait for the summons before they acted.

Mr. W. E. J. Shepton, who appeared for the dealers, said he was not in a position to make any statement as the matter was entirely in the hands of Mr. Hallifax. He remarked that it was a nuisance of 30 years' standing.

Mr. Wolfe said that it has been considerably abated for a long time, but had gradually grown worse lately. The dealers had at last taken in the fact that there were sufficient Police to deal with them, and moved

ment of the summons for a week was agreed to, in order to give the dealers time to clear the streets. In the meantime the matter would be thoroughly gone into by Mr. E. R. Hallifax.

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BRITISH INTEREST IN CHINA.

As the war has ended—anyway, there will be no more fighting—the China Association has taken in hand the return of the Far Eastern Volunteers. And sent the following letter to the Foreign Office, the Department of Overseas Trade and to the Demobilization Department of the Ministry of Labour:

Nov. 27, 1918.
Sir,—I have the honour to draw your attention to a question of great importance, to the maintenance of British interests in the Far East.

1.—A considerable number of men voluntarily came home from Hongkong, China and Japan to join His Majesty's Forces.

2.—Many of these men left positions of responsibility which have remained unfilled pending their return after the war.

3.—Consequently nearly every establishment in the Far East is short-handed and is handicapped in endeavouring to re-establish its business.

4.—The Far Eastern trade has suffered more severely than almost any other market from the curtailment of tonnage during the war.

5.—It is of great importance to British interests that our trade with this important market be restored as soon as possible.

6.—Much of the China trade formerly done with Great Britain has been transferred to Japan partly owing to the lack of shipping facilities during the war.

7.—Japanese firms have been under no obligation to reduce their establishments and are therefore fully equipped.

8.—German establishments have been able to retain their staffs in China throughout the war and are ready to start business at the earliest opportunity.

9.—No other people in China have furnished nearly so large a contingent to their national forces as the British.

In view of this difficult position my Committee would respectfully suggest that your Department should impress upon the demobilization authorities the urgent necessity of giving officers and other ranks, who have billeted waiting for them in the Far East, the earliest possible release from military service.

I have honour to be,
Your most obedient servant,
P. ANDERSON,
Chairman.

CHINESE BUDDHIST WAYS.

A PHYSICIAN'S CALLS.

Recently a very interesting ceremony took place at the Buddhist Monastery on the Hung San just outside the East Gate of Wuchang. This was the taking of the vows on the part of between 20 and 30 men and women whose intention is either to enter a monastery or work as Buddhist priests in other parts of the province. The whole proceedings occupied about a month. The candidates were examined as to their fitness for the position they wished to take up. They also listened to several addresses on the tenets and aims of Buddhism, and finally, on the last night of their candidature, each had a certain number of circular spots burned on the head—the number depending on the number of vows taken. Some only received three burns, others as many as nine. The burning was done by means of sticks of incense.

Canton seems to be having it colder than Hongkong, the temperature there yesterday being 32°. Passengers arriving report it bitterly cold up there.

If you are worrying about your golf kit, that you lost on the Star Ferry on Saturday, you needn't. It was taken by mistake, and you need only ask Mr. D. E. Murray about it. See advt.

Quite a number of Canton residents have been spending China New Year in Hongkong, these including Mr. H. E. Smith of the Chartered Bank, Mr. Jamieson, Mr. B. M. Consul and Mrs. Jamieson, Mr. F. A. Cair, Commissioner of Customs and Mr. A. Wilson, Deputy Commissioner of Customs and Mrs. Wilson.

The final round of the Shanghai Junior Golf Club's Championship was played off on January 29, the finalists being Mr. A. M. McGregor and Mr. H. E. S. Pickering. The first nine holes were evenly contested, the score then being all square, but early in the second round Mr. Pickering took the lead, which he steadily increased in that and the third round, eventually coming out a somewhat easy winner. Although he has twice previously figured in the final round, this is the first time Mr. Pickering has secured the Club Championship. Mr. McGregor was champion three years ago.

THE "MARK OF THE BEAST".

[The following is an account by an eye-witness of the landing of British prisoners of war from Germany at Leith, on December 1, 1918.]

The grey, cold day did not affect the spirit of the thousands assembled at the docks. The skirl of the Pipes greeted the returning exiles long before their ship came within hailing distance, and for some time before she was finally moored thunderous applause drowned the common commotion of that busy and noisy harbour. The side of the vessel nearest the wharf was crowded with soldiers eager to catch a glimpse of some dear one, whilst on shore the patience of the guards was severely taxed by the pressing throng. It was no effort to read their thoughts: "Is my boy there," "What does he look like," and so on. Willing hands soon established connection between ship and shore, and a hush fell over the whole assembly as the first had mounted the gangway. The silence seemed unbearable. "Was some tragedy being enacted that stilled the joyous greetings of loving hearts united?"

The writer has followed the har- rage of a thousand guns and survived attack and counter-attack. The tragedy of war left one cold and unmoved, accepting the joy and pathos of a heavy action as part of the day's work. But it is difficult to write without emotion of that chrin of humanity, eager ye hesitating to foot their native heath. It began by an onlooker shouting "M", a soldier addressed lifted up his face. Those about gave a tremendous groan, men and women wept alike. Around the soldier's face in hideous Gothic letters was tattooed "Gott Strafe England." Perhaps the liberated men behind grasped the situation: for they stepped as briskly ashore as their emaciated frames would allow, unashamed of their defiled faces and branded cheeks, the "Marks of the Beast" as written in the scriptures. Fury did not seize the crowd. Wet eyes and blanched lips spoke rather of a just and deadly determination to bring the guilty before a court of justice.

These soldiers chiefly represented the 9th, 15th, 51st, and 52nd Divisions, Scotland's gallant sons. In battle they gave little quarter and asked for none. The Hun feared them. Again and again the writer has taken from their prisoners divisional, brigade and regimental orders endorsing the previous state- ment and beaten, broken in body yet strengthened in spirit, our soldiers return to these dear, sea-girt shores victors and heroes, triumphant over the beast that defiled God's clay in the fury of hate and defeat.—"N. C. D. N."

A PHYSICIAN'S CALLS.

The question as to whether a physician can regulate the number of calls which he should make or should wait for a direction by his patient, is one which may often arise. The Supreme Court of Illinois (U.S.A.) has upheld the validity of a judgement obtained by a physician, who brought an action to obtain payment of his bill. The Court held that the physician was not called upon to prove the necessity of making the number of visits for which he charged. The Court approved an earlier case, in which it was said: "Where a physician is called by a person for treatment, and he takes charge of the case and attends from day to day, evidently, in view of, his responsibility for skillful and proper treatment, he must, in the first instance, determine how often he ought to visit the patient, and so long as the person employing him accepts his services, and does not discharge him or require him to come less frequently, or fix the times when he wishes him to attend, he cannot afterwards be heard to say, that the physician came oftener than was necessary. There was no proof that the physician came when he was forbidden to come, or that he was discharged and continued to attend thereafter."

Readers are reminded of the Russian concert which takes place this evening at the City Hall. Those who had the pleasure of attending the first one will tell you it should not be overlooked. Messrs. Sykora and Sklarewski can make a full orchestra of the first class with the "cello and piano. Particulars in advt. elsewhere.

Mr. Glenn H. Curtiss, the American aerial pioneer, states that America now possesses huge seaplanes capable shortly of crossing the Atlantic Ocean. The machine is known as the "Colossus" and was originally built as a warplane, being appropriately transformed. It is a triple-motored biplane, with a total weight of 125 tons. It has a length of 70 feet and a speed of 80 miles an hour. In practice flights this Colossus has carried a crew of fifty men.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEB. 4, 1919.

MASKEE.

There is one method of writing cleverly which we had not seen for quite a long time, until the latest number of "The Outlook" reached us. It was a method that derived from Oxford. The late Oscar Wilde was a superior exponent of it. That supremely clever Jew, Israel Zangwill, who could do it even more effectively, when he wanted to, wrote an essay on it and called it "the art of topsyturvydom," or something like that. The trick was to take some popular saying, or some common opinion, and invert it. Thus, that saying so frequently emanating from local writers and speakers, to the effect that Hongkong lives on shipping, would be topsyturvyed into "Shipping lives on Hongkong." With that for key, the rest of the tune comes easily, and the tickled reader, bored with much stodgy reading, is expected to regard it as Oliver Twist did the Beadles' gruel. This, however, was before the war, and even before that again. We were not expecting to encounter it any more.

Yet that staid journal "The Outlook" has an essay, "In defence of worry," which seems to us to have

fashion. The best argument for worry, it tells us, is the kind of people who tell us not to. "Their smooth foreheads are likely to suggest a corresponding internal blankness." That is, clever, unscrupulously clever, but it assumes the whole of the premises. What like really are the people who advise us not to worry? To start most effectively, since we are dealing with an American writer in an American journal, surely Walt Whitman is not accused of "internal blankness"? Or Thoreau? Or Emerson? Or Clemens? Or John Burroughs? Going away from America, one supposes that not Marcus Aurelius, nor Epictetus, nor Aristippus, was internally blank. Coming on in time, to perhaps the most clinching example of all, the clergy will no doubt be able to adduce at least one don't-worry teacher Who could not be so slightly described. This clever writer under criticism refers to Mr. Micawber as "dancing nimbly along the surface of flat failure," which shows us where he wishes to be ranged. He does not mention Mr. Tapley.

The phrase "poor dullards of optimism" as applied to opponents of worry would seem to be a slur upon the medical profession, who all tell of its evil effects. The most powerful and closely reasoned argument against worry that we know of, namely, the book called "Ecclesiastes," happens to have been composed by a pessimist—and a super-pessimist at that. To mention Omar Khayyam in the same breath and the same context were to make of a worthy example a sorry anticlimax. The life experience of an observing man (supposing we now leave literature and consider society) is that the people who most earnestly advise against worry are people who have done it, and know what it is. In other words, the "don't-worry" attitude is not so often that of a human punching-bag as it is the healthy reaction of a mind that has thought and worried, and suffered. It is certainly, as frequently a pessimist's philosophy, as it is an optimist's advice. We can sympathize with this writer's scorn of certain so-called "Happy Books" that are sold in America. Sometimes they

CRICKET.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

Two of the leading teams fell at the obstacles set them for Saturday. Kowloon losing easily to the University, and R.G.A. failing to reach the small score set up by Civil Service.

It was anything but cricket weather, cold and misty, and fickle winds must have been dreading catches coming their way. Half a dozen were missed by the R.G.A., and Civil Service missed a couple, and missed an easy run-out.

The Manchesters batted well on Saturday, and gathered in 5 points at the expense of the Navy.

Details of matches played during the holidays follow:—

CIVIL SERVICE DEFEAT R.G.A.

It was a miserable day for cricket on Saturday, the ball being greasy and the weather cold, a proper day for football. Winning the toss the R.G.A. put the Civil Service in to bat, and must have regretted it, as the lights became so bad that throughout their innings the batsmen had difficulty in watching the flight of the ball. The Civil Service made a disastrous start, Wood being caught with the score only 1, while Lambie who followed him also registered a "duck," the score then reading 3-0. Bradbury and Bird retrieved the situation a little but 5 wickets were down for 61. Sam and Ling then commenced a partnership that saved the situation for the Civil Service, Sam scoring 10, and Ling was undisturbed at the end of the inning with an invaluable 31. The innings closed for 94, not at all a formidable total, and but for half a dozen missed catches would have been smaller. Without Sutherland, their best bat, the R.G.A. sent in Mann and Middleton to bat, Mann batting confidently until he slipped on from Ling to Crocker at a short leg and was caught. A splendid ball from Bird upset Middleton's wicket, and Sutherland and Graham made a little stand. This brought a change of bowling, and Bird badly missed running out Sutherland. Two balls later Wood missed Graham at cover, a run of luck for the R.G.A. However, the change brought about the dismissal of Sutherland who was bowled by Severn, the ball hitting the batsman's foot before removing the bats. Another fine delivery from Bird, a break from leg, sent Graham back, and with Drummond "yorked" out by Severn, and Athorne caught by Wood, for 54 was not at all easy. Torr and Baines raised hopes and the score to 54 when Torr made a terrific slog at a tempting ball from Severn, and missed. One stump was clean removed. Colman tried stonewalling tactics which caused a strategic move by the Civil Service captain, Severn retiring from the bowling, and allowing Ling to try his fast left-hand deliveries again. This was at once successful, the first ball causing Baines to be caught in the slips by Bird, a splendid catch, close up, fast and in semi-darkness. One ball sufficed for Telford, clean bowled, and Bowerman survived a few balls but not an appeal by Sam for l.b.w. "Out" and the Civil Service had won by 21 runs. Scores:—

Civil Service: Wood, c Mann b Baines, 0; B. W. Bradbury, c Sutherland b Bird, 12; P. T. Lambie, b Baines, 0; R. E. O. Bird, b Baines, 10; E. W. Hamilton, c Middleton b Graham, 6; W. R. Eldon, b Baines, 10; H. B. Strange, c Torr b Graham, 4; F. Ling, not out, 31; E. T. Crocker, b Graham, 2; C. Sam, b Baines, 10; C. Severn, b Baines, 0; Extras, 0; Total, 94.

R.G.A.: Mann, c Crocker b Ling, 11; Gr. Middleton, b Bird, 16; Br. Sutherland, b Severn, 8; Sgt. Athorne, b Bird, 3; Sgt. Drummond, b Severn, 5; Lieut. Torr, b Severn, 10; Gr. Baines, b Bird b Ling, 10; Lieut. Colman, not out, 2; Sgt. Telford, b Ling, 1; Br. Bowerman, l.b.w. Bird, 0; Extras, 5; Total, 78.

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FRIENDLY.

CRAIGENGOWER v. R.K.P.

A week Craigengower team easily disposed of the Police. Scores:—

Craigengower: J. Billimoria, b Stevenson, 12; A. Ellis, retired, 68; F. Ford, b Sutton, 9; G. Thompson, b Bacon, 2; G. Manley, b Sutton, 18; V. M. Omar, not out, 58; W. Murray, b Eadie, 0; R. Pina, not out, 9; A. Goldenberg and W. Muskett did not bat.

Police: Little, b Ford, 0; Dorling, b Manley, 7; Sutton, b Manley, 11; Eadie, c and b Ford, 7; Stevenson, b Manley, 0; Moss, b Manley, 3; Bacon, c Ford, b Manley, 10; Hollands, c Manley, b Pina, 9; Gerard, b Ellis, 11; Garrod, not out, 2; Taylor, b Pina, 0; Extras, 15; Total, 74.

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FOOTBALL.

R.E. DEFEAT R.G.A.

At the Happy Valley yesterday these teams fulfilled a postponed league fixture. The R.G.A. lacked the services of Telford and Worley, two of their best players.

Play was fairly even the gunners playing up well considering the team fielded, but their forwards were very weak, only Green proving any trouble to the R.E. defence. Townsend and Pascar to the R.E. left were a source of worry to the R.G.A. Pascar especially so, sending across many centres, and proving much too speedy for the gunners. Somewhat to the surprise of the R.E. they were a goal down at the interval, Shamman, who played well at centre half for the R.G.A. scoring the goal.

R.G.A. 1, R.E. 0. In the second half the R.E. made great efforts to score, Taylor being busy saving from Townsend, Millard and Jarvis. Time went on and it seemed probable that the R.G.A. might keep their lead till the end, so well did Torr, Taylor and Shamman defend. However, misfortune befell them about 10 minutes from time, one of the half backs handling the ball in the penalty area. Townsend took the kick and equalised. There was little hope of the R.G.A. winning now and they tried to effect a draw, but just before time there was a melee in their goal and the ball was rushed through, Pascar being credited with scoring. The R.E. thus snatched the two points. Result:—

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Since the last report of communicable disease in the Colony there has been only one case, a Chinese down with cerebro-spinal fever.

S. A. Ismail, b Wong Po Keung, 0; E. Sadick, not out, 0; S. D. Ismail, h.wkt. b Wong Po Keung, 0; G. Partabrai, b Ching, 12; Extras, 12; Total, 142.

Bowling Analysis:—

O. M. R. W. G. Lee, 5 0 16 0; H. Ching, 9 1 25 3; G. Hall, 6 1 18 0; Un Hew Fan, 9 3 31 0; J. Wong, 2 0 10 0; Cheung Wing Kui, 1 0 6 0; Wong Po Keung, 43 0 24 5.

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"HEJAZ"	17th February	23rd February

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STRAITS & CALCUTTA	KWANGSANG	SATURDAY, Feb. 8, at 3 p.m.
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Victoria B.C. & Seattle via S'hai. &c.	Russhin Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 27th Feb. at Noon.
Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle & Tacoma.	Africa Maru	Kaisha Shosei Kaisha	On 28th Feb. at Noon.
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Russia	Canadian O.S. Ld.	On 29th Feb. at Noon.
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Australian Ports via Japan	Anjo Maru	Yto Kisen Kaisha	On 31st Feb. at Noon.
Australian Ports via Japan	Sogo Maru	Yto Kisen Kaisha	On 1st Mar. at Noon.
Japan	Bann Maru	Yto Kisen Kaisha	On 2nd Mar. at Noon.
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Shanghai	Sunning	Butterfield & Swire	On 4th Mar. at Noon.
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Shanghai, S'hai & Kobe	Yamagata Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 6th Mar. at Noon.
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